

# Sol Feinstone Elementary School PTO Meeting

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December 4, 2008

**Executive Board Members in Attendance:** Kim Gibbons, Deb Emery, Aileen McQuarrie, Dawn Strivieri, Kristi Rogerson

**Call to Order:** Deb Emery called the meeting to order at 9:20 am. Recognition of School Board Representative Dr. Paul Anagnostakos in attendance at meeting.

**Secretary's Report, Kristi Rogerson:** Motion to approve the November Minutes, Danielle Portnoy. Second, Mary Copperthwaite. Minutes approved by majority vote. Thank You notes to PTO circulated.

**Treasurer's Report, Aileen McQuarrie:** Motion to approve Treasurer's Report, Allison Roda, Second, Lyn Riley. Report approved by majority vote.

**Election of President Elect, Jen Ceslak.** Motion to approve nomination of Jen Ceslak as President Elect approved by unanimous vote.

**Principal's Report, John Harlan:** Walking Wednesdays a success. Mr. Harlan will continue to personally hand out walking shoes. Miss Smith spoke about after school dance program for 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls. Will begin in January. Former SFE Principal Bob Winter passed away over Thanksgiving. Council Rock Education Week January 12-15. Workshop being planned by Mr. Harlan on The Responsible Classroom, Mrs. Luff on Reading, Mr. Miller on a Guidance subject and a Seminar on the Inclusion program.

## Committee Reports:

**Market Day: Mary Copperthwaite for Clancy Strobel**

Cookie of the month fundraiser ongoing.

**Family Activities: Jen Ceslak**

Mother/Son Sports Challenge/Dance event in planning stages. Will be January 23, 2009 from 7-9. Maximum of three hundred participants will be strictly enforced. Tickets first come first served basis. Father Daughter Dance will be from 6:30-9:00 pm.

**Fundraising: Deb Emery for Cari Grundman**

Monkey Bars fundraiser was successful.

**Wizards: Dawn Strivieri**

Basketball game with Wrightstown Elementary against the Harlem Wizards January 31, 2009. Thirty-three members of staff have pledged participation. Tickets will be sold on a first come first served basis.

**Secret Shop: Deb Emery for Nancy McAllister**

No numbers to report yet. Need new people to chair next year.

**Website:** Reminder to make holiday purchases through the link to Amazon on SFEPTO website.

**Diversity:**

Two presentations held for Veterans Day. Patrick Murphy spoke as Iraqi War veteran to 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade. November 11<sup>th</sup> hosted Historic Tuskegee Airman for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> graders.

**Parent Advisory Council Presentation:**

District plans to move facilities into new thirty year life cycle. Construction at Holland and Churchville underway, Board approved moving forward with design process for Goodnoe Elementary. Power Point presentation on CRSD 106,000,000.00 budget. Due to economic climate District may have to make difficult choices and come up with creative solutions for trimming expenses.

**Announcements/New Business:**

Young Rembrandts Pilot program will begin at SFE. After school art program focusing on drawing for K-3 and cartooning for grades 4-6. Six weeks/ \$10 per class.

Meeting adjourned 10:50 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristi Rogerson

Secretary, Sol Feinstone PTO